



## INSURANCE FRAUD INVESTIGATION DIVISION

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### *Charges and Convictions Activity – February 2007*

**Joey Furlong** - On or about 8/3/05, Furlong presented a fake insurance identification card to the Metcalfe County Clerk in order to register a 1993 GMC truck. On 8/25/06, Furlong was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts and one felony count of criminal possession of a forged instrument 2<sup>nd</sup> degree in Metcalfe District Court. On 9/6/06, Furlong pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts and the other charge of criminal possession of a forged instrument 2<sup>nd</sup> was merged with the felony fraudulent insurance acts charge. He received 90 days in jail conditionally discharged for two years and was ordered to pay the Public Defender Fee.

**Anita Gunn** – On or about 5/28/04, Gunn presented a fake insurance identification card to the Jefferson County Clerk in order to obtain title and registration on a Lincoln Town Car. On 11/29/06, Gunn was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Jefferson District Court. On 12/19/06, she pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. She received 365 days conditionally discharged for two years and must pay a fine in the amount of \$150.00 to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses.

**Eugene Hardin** – submitted fake insurance identification cards to the Jefferson County Clerk on three occasions, 6/9/04, 6/13/05, and 6/19/06, in order to obtain vehicle registration on his 1988 Volvo. On 9/15/06, Hardin was charged with three felony counts of fraudulent insurance acts in Jefferson District Court. On 11/16/06, he pled guilty to three amended misdemeanor charges of fraudulent insurance acts. He received 365 days conditionally discharged for two years and was placed in the Insurance Monitoring Program with Pre-trial Services.

**Dale Lester Hughes** - On or about 10/7/03, Hughes, as a workers' compensation claimant, advised an employee for Kentucky Employers Mutual Insurance (KEMI) that he had not worked since undergoing surgery for his injury, when in fact, he had already gone to work for another company. On 5/2/06, Hughes was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Union Circuit Court. On 2/12/07, he pled guilty to the felony charge of fraudulent insurance acts. He received five years probated for five years and was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$3,406.40 to KEMI.

**David Pfefferman** – On or between 6/3/03 and 6/12/03, Pfefferman, d/b/a Excavators, Inc., presented a fake or counterfeit bid bond certificate to the city of Tompkinsville as evidence of insurance in order to obtain a contract for a construction project. On 10/19/05, Pfefferman was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Monroe Circuit Court. On 6/21/06, he pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. He received 12 months probated for two years without supervision

**Jeff Smith** – On 3/26/06, Smith presented a fake insurance identification card to the Metcalfe County Clerk in order to register a 1994 Toyota truck. On 10/12/06, Smith was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Metcalfe District Court. On 11/1/06, he pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. He received 90 days conditionally discharged for two years and must pay a \$100.00 fine.

**Kenneth Wayne Smith** – Smith reported a work-related injury to his shoulder in 2002 and began drawing temporary total disability (TTD) benefits. Smith informed his doctor that he still had pain and could not work, even though he had taken a job as a tow truck driver. Smith has a prior felony conviction for robbery. On 3/28/06, Smith was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts and one felony count of Persistent Felony Offender (PFO) II in Jefferson Circuit Court. On 12/5/06, he pled guilty to the felony charge of fraudulent insurance acts and PFO II. He received a sentence of three years enhanced to five years by reason of the PFO charge. He was placed on probation for five years and was ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$1,819.72 to KEMI.

**James Clayton Vanderpool** – On or between 12/1/03 and 12/31/03, Vanderpool presented a fake insurance certificate to Hunter Homes indicating he had workers' compensation coverage when he in fact did not. On 1/3/07, Vanderpool was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Fayette District Court.